

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Dr. Catherine Lin-Hendel	Examiner: Naeem U. Haq
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This paper is Applicant's reply ("Reply") to the outstanding Office action mailed on the date shown above ("Office Action"). The Office Action set a shortened statutory period of three months for reply. This Reply is being filed within the set period and therefore is timely. If the undersigned attorney is mistaken regarding timeliness of this Reply, Applicant conditionally petitions for an extension of time, as needed, and authorization is granted to charge the small entity time extension fee required to file this Reply to Deposit Account Number 50-3196. Authorization is also granted to

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charge additional claim fees, if any, and all other fees necessary to file this Reply, to the same Deposit Account.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.